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AGREEMENTS

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING FROM EPA ADMINISTRATOR
RUSSELL E. TRAIN TO HUD SECRETARY CARLA A. HILLS.

2. QUOTE: DURING OUR CURRENT MID-YEAR REVIEW OF THE
US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT MY SOVIET COUNTERPART
ACADEMICIAN YURIY A. IZRAEL INFORMED ME THAT FOMIN,
CHIEF OF THE USSR STATE COMMITTEE FOR CIVIL CONSTRUCTION
PROPOSED THAT DURING THE JUNE 16-19 FIRST MEETING OF THE
US-USSR JOINT COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION,
ALL PROJECTS OF AREA IV UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT
(IV-1 NEW COMMUNITIES, IV-2 IMPROVEMENT OF ENVIRONMENT
WITH REGARD TO HISTORIC PLACES AND MONUMENTS, IV-3.1
REMOVAL AND PROCESSING SOLID WASTE IN URBAN AREAS, IV-4.1
ENHANCEMENT OF ENVIRONMENT IN EXISTING CITIES AND IV-5
RECREATION ZONES IN URBAN AND NEAR-URBAN AREAS) BE
TRANSFERRED TO THE HOUSING AND CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT.

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ALTHOUGH IZRAEL AND I ARE AGREEABLE TO TRANSFER OF

NEW COMMUNITIES PROJECT (IV-1.1) WE BOTH OPPOSE
TRANSFER OF OTHER PROJECTS UNDER AREA IV. WHEN I
NOTED THAT FOMIN'S WAS THE FIRST PROPOSAL I HAD HEARD
FOR TRANSFER OF OTHER AREA IV PROJECTS, A MEMBER OF IZRAEL'S
TEAM REMARKED THAT HE HAD HEARD THAT DURING
RECENT PREPARATORY DISCUSSIONS IN MOSCOW FOR HOUSING
AND CONSTRUCTION MEETING THE U.S. SIDE HAD INDICATED
WILLINGNESS TO TRANSFER ALL AREA IV PROJECTS. I
RESPONDED THAT I COULD NOT BELIEVE THIS TO BE THE
CASE. AS IN HIS BRIEFING PAPER FOR OUR MID-YEAR
REVIEW HUD ASSISTANT SECRETARY MICHAEL MOSKOW HAD
INDICATED TRANSFER OF NEW COMMUNITIES PROJECT ONLY.
I TRUST THAT DURING YOUR H&C JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING
YOU WILL ENSURE THAT THE RECORD IS SET STRAIGHT; AND
THAT ONLY THE NEW COMMUNITIES PROJECT IS TO BE TRANS-
FERRED. UNQUOTE.
MATLOCK

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